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| A.   | REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION   |                 |  |
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| WESTPORT   | (No. and Street) CT   | 06880           |  |
| (City)   | (State)   | (Zip            | Code)  |
| NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER ILENE_SCHLICHER  | OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGARD TO   | 203-22          | PRT<br>21-1916<br>Area Code - Telephone Number |
| В.   | ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION   |                 |  |
| MALAKOFF, WASSERMAN  | ANT whose opinion is contained in this Report  & PECKER, CPA, PC  (Name - if individual, state last, first, middle name), CARLE PLACE, NY 11514 |                 |  |
| (Address)  | (City)  | (State)         | (Zip Code)                                     |
| CHECK ONE:  ☐ Certified Public Account ☐ Public Accountant                                     | tant  |                 | OCESSED<br>AR 2 3 2005                         |
| ☐ Accountant not resident  | in United States or any of its possessions.   |                 | HONSON<br>Diangrai                             |
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| my             | knov         | wledge and belief the accompanying financial     |                              |  |
| •              |              |  | _ <del>-</del>               |  |
| of             |              | SBS FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.                        |                              |  |
| -              |              | DECEMBER 31,                                     | $\frac{20.04}{0.04}$ , are t | rue and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that  |
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| 1771           | (1)          | consolidation.                                   |                              |  |
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\*\*For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors of

S.B.S. Financial Group, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of S.B.S. Financial Group, Inc. as of December 31, 2004, and the related statements of loss, changes in stockholders' equity and cash flows for the year then ended that you are filing pursuant to rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statements presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of S.B.S. Financial Group, Inc. at December 31, 2004, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information contained on page 8 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by rule 17a-5 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Malafall, Wassermen & Perker, 1897/2

#### S.B.S. FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION DECEMBER 31, 2004

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|--|------|---------|
| ASSETS   |      | •       |
| Current Assets:  |      |         |
| Cash and cash equivalents  | \$   | 259,746 |
| Due from broker  |      | 11,621  |
| Total current assets   |      | 271,367 |
| Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$11,105                            |      | 0       |
| Security deposits  |      | 1,762   |
| Prepaid expenses   |      | 297     |
| Total assets   |      | 273,426 |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY   |      |         |
| Liabilities:   |      |         |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses  | \$   | 9,200   |
| Stockholders' Equity:  |      |         |
| Class A common stock, \$1.00 par value; authorized-<br>400,000 shares; issued and outstanding- |      |         |
| 70,000 shares  |      | 70,000  |
| Class B common stock, \$1.00 par value; authorized-  |      |         |
| 100,000 shares; issued and outstanding - none  |      | 0       |
| Additional paid-in capital   |      | 70,000  |
| Retained earnings  |      | 124,226 |
| Total stockholders' equity   |      | 264,226 |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity   | _\$_ | 273,426 |

See notes to financial statements.

## S.B.S. FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. STATEMENT OF LOSS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

|  |     | Page 3   |
|--|-----|----------|
| Revenues:                              |     |          |
| Commissions                            | \$  | 776,232  |
| Less direct costs of services rendered |     | 132,201  |
| Net commissions                        |     | 644,031  |
| Interest and dividend income           |     | 3,391    |
| Total revenues                         |     | 647,422  |
| Operating expenses:                    |     |          |
| Compensation-shareholders              |     | 281,220  |
| Compensation-others                    |     | 95,671   |
| Payroll taxes                          |     | 22,577   |
| Employee benefits                      |     | 31,280   |
| Travel and promotion                   |     | 46,555   |
| Rent and utilities                     |     | 14,085   |
| Telephone                              |     | 10,337   |
| Office expenses                        |     | 10,531   |
| Professional fees                      |     | 7,266    |
| Dues, subscriptions and licenses       |     | 9,643    |
| Information services                   |     | 12,396   |
| Clearing charges                       |     | 122,027  |
| Insurance                              |     | 999      |
| Total operating expenses               |     | 664,587  |
| Net loss before income taxes           |     | (17,165) |
| Provision for income taxes             |     | 0        |
| Net loss                               | _\$ | (17,165) |

See notes to financial statements.

#### S.B.S. FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

|                                |             |         |          | -     |      |             |      |          |     | Page 4               |
|--------------------------------|-------------|---------|----------|-------|------|-------------|------|----------|-----|----------------------|
|                                |             | Commo   | on Stock |       | A    | dditional   | I    | Retained | Sto | Total<br>ockholders' |
|                                |             | Class A | C1       | ass B | Paid | -in Capital | I    | Earnings |     | Equity               |
| Balance -<br>January 1, 2004   | \$          | 70,000  | \$       | 0     | \$   | 70,000      | \$   | 141,391  | \$  | 281,391              |
| Net loss                       | <del></del> | 0       |          | 0     |      | 0           |      | (17,165) |     | (17,165)             |
| Balance -<br>December 31, 2004 | \$          | 70,000  |          | 0     | \$   | 70,000      | _\$_ | 124,226  | \$  | 264,226              |

#### S.B.S. FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

|  | Page 5   | Page 5 \$ (17,165) |  |  |  |
|--|----------|--------------------|--|--|--|
| Cash flows from operating activities:                  |          |                    |  |  |  |
| Net loss   | \$ (17,1 | 65)                |  |  |  |
| Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided |          |                    |  |  |  |
| by operating activities:                               |          |                    |  |  |  |
| (Increase) decrease in operating assets:               |          |                    |  |  |  |
| Due from broker  | 87,1     | .66                |  |  |  |
| Prepaid expenses                                       | 12,8     | 370                |  |  |  |
| Increase (decrease) in operating liabilities:          |          |                    |  |  |  |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses                  | (43,5    | 41)                |  |  |  |
| Net cash provided by operating activities              | 56,4     | 195                |  |  |  |
| Net increase in cash and cash equivalents              | 39,3     | 330                |  |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year           | 220,4    | 116                |  |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of year                 | \$ 259,7 | 746                |  |  |  |
| Supplemental Cash Flows Disclosures:                   |          |                    |  |  |  |
| Income taxes paid                                      | \$       | 0                  |  |  |  |

See notes to financial statements.

#### S.B.S. FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2004

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#### Note A - ORGANIZATION

S.B.S. Financial Group, Inc.(the "Company") is a broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD).

#### Note B - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Securities Transactions

Proprietary securities transactions are recorded on the trade date, as if they had settled. Profit and loss arising from all securities transactions entered into for the account and risk of the Company are recorded on a trade date basis. Customers' securities transactions are reported a settlement date basis with related commission income and expenses reported on a trade date basis.

#### Commissions

Commissions and related clearing expenses are recorded on a trade date basis as securities transactions occur.

#### Statement of Cash Flows

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Company has defined cash equivalents as highly liquid investments, with original maturities of less than ninety days, that are not held for sale in the ordinary course of business.

At various times during the year the Company's bank balance exceeded federal deposit insurance coverage.

#### S.B.S. FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2004

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#### Note B - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Income Taxes

The Company has elected to be taxed as an "S" corporation for Federal and Connecticut corporation income tax purposes. Accordingly, the operations of the Company will not be subject to Federal or Connecticut corporation income taxes.

#### Note C - COMMITMENTS

The Company occupies office space pursuant to a lease which expired on October 31, 2004. The Company currently occupies this space on a month to month basis.

#### Note D - NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (SEC rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 15 to 1. At December 31, 2004, the Company had net capital of \$262,167, which was \$257,167 in excess of its required net capital of \$5,000.

# S.B.S. FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER RULE 15c 3-1 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION DECEMBER 31, 2004

|  |     | Page 8  |
|--|-----|---------|
|  |     |         |
| Stockholders' equity   | _\$ | 264,226 |
| Deductions for nonallowable assets:  |     |         |
| Property and equipment, net  |     | 0       |
| Security deposits  |     | 1,762   |
| Prepaid expenses   |     | 297     |
|  |     | 2,059   |
| Net capital  |     | 262,167 |
| Minimum dollar net capital required  |     | 5,000   |
| Excess net capital   | \$  | 257,167 |
| Aggregate indebtedness:  Items included in statement of financial condition:                             |     |         |
| Tems included in statement of intalieur condition.   |     |         |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities   |     | 9,200   |
| Total aggregate indebtedness   | \$  | 9,200   |
| Ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital   |     | 3.51%   |
| Reconciliation with Company's computation (included in Part II of Form X-17A-5 as of December 31, 2004): |     |         |
| Net capital, as reported in Company's Part II (unaudited) FOCUS report                                   | \$  | 262,342 |
| Audit adjustments identifying additional nonallowable assets   |     | 175     |
| Net capital per above  | \$  | 262,167 |

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL

To the Board of Directors of S.B.S. Financial Group, Inc.

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements and supplemental schedules of S.B.S. Financial Group, Inc. (the "Company") for the year ended December 31, 2004, we considered its internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control.

Also, as required by Rule 17a-5 (g)(i) of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), we have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company including tests of such practices and procedures that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in rule 17a-5 (g) in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness and net capital under rule 17a-3(a)(11) and for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of rule 15c3-3. Because the Company does not perform custodial functions relating to customer securities, we did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in any of the following:

- 1. Making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, and comparisons.
- 2. Recordation of differences required by rule 17a-13.
- 3. Complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Federal Reserve Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, management is required to make estimates and judgments to assess the expected benefits and related costs of controls and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph, and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the SEC'S above-mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of internal control and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute assurance that the assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted

accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in internal control or the practices and procedures referred to above, error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

Our consideration of internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in internal control that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of the specific internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. However, we noted no matters involving internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities, that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objective referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the SEC to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe that the Company's practices and procedures were adequate at December 31, 2004 to meet the SEC'S objectives.

This report is intended solely for the use of the Board of Directors, management, the SEC and other regulatory agencies that rely on rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specific parties.

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January 20, 2005